

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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TITLE: HOLLOW FIBER MEMBRANE FILTER WITH A SUPPORTING
STRUCTURE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Commissioner of Patents
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Dear Sir:

Preliminary to the initial Office Action, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.